## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

**FROM:** Superintendent Janet Barresi

**DATE:** July 15, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Oklahoma Parents As Teachers (OPAT) Parent Training Program Grants

On June 12, 2013, the State Board of Education approved funds for the Oklahoma Parents as Teachers (OPAT) program to be expended for competitive grants to public school districts. There was a carryover from Fiscal Year 2013 of \$19,505.00, for a total of \$1,019,505.00 for use this Fiscal Year (FY 2014).

The Parent Education Program is authorized in Section 10-105.3 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes: "The State Board of Education shall develop and implement a program of parent education which provides practical information and guidance to parents regarding the development of language, cognition, social skills and motor development of young children birth to age three . . . "

The school districts on the enclosed list are recommended for funding for school year 2013-2014. The total amount is \$1,007,500, to 38 school districts for the Oklahoma Parents as Teachers Program to serve an estimated 1,895 families.

Board approval is requested for the attached list of districts to receive an OPAT Parent Training Program grant for the 2013-2014 school year.

JB:mr Enclosure